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**NONPROVISIONAL PATENT  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

For (Title): HEAD REST APPARATUS

By (Inventors): Keishirou ITOH

- ☒ 11 pages of Specification/Claims 1-4/Abstract are attached.  
☒ Formal drawings (Figs. 1-8; 4 sheets are attached).  
☒ A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.  
☒ An assignment of the invention to NHK Spring Co., Ltd is attached, along with Form PTO-1595 and a check for \$40.00.  
☐ An Information Disclosure Statement is attached, along with Form PTO-1449, and \_\_\_\_\_ reference(s).  
☐ This application is entitled to Small Entity Status.  
☐ A Preliminary Amendment is attached.  
☐ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence --This nonprovisional application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_ --.  
☒ Priority of foreign application No. 2000-339833 filed November 8, 2000 in Japan is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.  
☒ A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is attached.

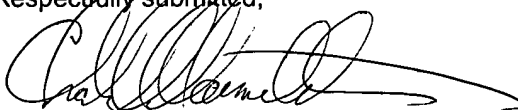
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☒ A check in the amount of 780.00 (\$740.00 for the filing fee and \$40.00 for the Assignment Recordation Fee) is attached. Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

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